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SUBJECT: LEBANESE SC COMPLAINT

1. LEBANESE FONOFFICE (HADDA) AND PRESIDENCY (DIB) TELL US THAT FONMIN NAFFA TELEPHONED FROM NEW YORK EARLY APRIL 23 TO SAY THAT HE HAD REACHED AGREEMENT WITH USG ON DRAFT SC RES AND THAT RES EXPECTED TO BE ADOPTED EVENING APRIL 23 WITH ALL MEMBERS SC EXCEPT IRAQ AND CHINA VOTING YES AND LATTER TWO ABSTAINING. DIB AND HADDAD VERY PLEASED THAT AGREEMENT FINALLY REACHED BETWEEN USG AND GOL, AND ATTRIBUTE CREDIT TO SECRETARY KISSINGER WHO APPARENTLY CONVINCED NAFFA THAT IT NECESSARY REACH AGREEMENT ON COMPROMISE RES OR OTHERWISE END DEBATE SO AS NOT TO JEOPARDIZE SECRETARY'S TRIP TO MIDDLE EAST.

2. UP UNTIL TELEPHONE CALL RECEIVED FROM NAFFA, PRESIDENT FRANGIE
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HAD BEEN IN VERY ANGRY, TOUGH MOOD, INSISTING (AGAINST ADVICE OF

FONOFFICE STAFF) THAT RES MUST BE VOTED EVEN IT IT PROVOKED USG VETO, SINCE GOL HAD TO HAVE CLEAR INDICATION OF WHETHER OR NOT IT COULD COUNT UPON SUPPORT OF WEST DURING PERIOD OF SERIOUS TROUBLE. WE ARE TOLD (IN CONFIDENCE) BY UK AMBASSADOR THAT HE RECEIVED VERY TOUGH LINE FROM FRANGIE EVENING OF APRIL 22 WHEN HE TOOK LABOR PARTY M.P. GEORGE THOMAS TO MEET PRESIDENT. FRANGIE APPEARED VERY GENUINELY AFRAID OF CONSEQUENCES CONTINUED IDF GROUND OPERATIONS ON UPPER REACHES OF LEBANESE SLOPES OF MT. HERMON (WHERE ISRAELI ROAD DOES RPT DOES CROSS BACK AND FORTH BETWEEN SYRIAN AND LEBANESE TERRITORY, ACCORDING TO BOTH UNTSO AND LEBANESE ARMY WHO HAVE GEOGRAPHIC COORDINATES OF ROAD LOCATION), CONTINUED IDF NIGHTLY FIRING ALONG LEBANESE-ISRAEL BORDER, AND CONTINUED OVERFLIGHTS (WHICH IDF INSISTS IN ILMAC MEETINGS IT WILL CONTINUE AS IT WISHES). PRESIDENT WAS APPREHENSIVE THAT SUCH IDF ACTIONS, ALTHOUGH ADMITTEDLY AIMED AT PREVENTING FEDAYEEN AND SYRIAN ACTION AGAINST IDF, COULD ULTIMATELY LEAD TO ISRAELI OCCUPATION OF PORTION OF LEBANESE TERRITORY. IN ADDITION, INTERNAL POLITICAL CRITICISM HAS REMAINED HOT AND HEAVY SINCE LAST REPORT (BEIRUT 4520).

3. ADOPTION SC RES SHOULD HAVE VERY POSITIVE EFFECT HERE, REMOVING REAL (ALBEIT UNFOUNDED) SUSPICIONS THAT USG (AND UK AND EVEN FRENCH) LOSING INTEREST IN LEBANON AND NOT PREPARED SUPPORT IT IN FACE OF ISRAELI MILITARY PRESSURE. ATTENTION WILL AGAIN BE FOCUSED ON USG EFFORT BRING ABOUT DISENGAGEMENT BETWEEN ISRAEL AND SYRIA WHICH IS ONLY REALISTIC MEANS DECREASING PRESSURE ON LEBANON FROM BOTH SIDES.

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